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1. DCN Case 411 (Molybdenum; FERROCHEMIE, CNIEC)

State Despatch #1227 from Bonn, Germany, dated December 13, 1955, reported that the FERROCHEMIE firm recently advised the China National Import and Export Corporation (CNIEC) Leipzigerstrasse 112, POB 173, Berlin St. 8, that they had shipped approximately 1,000 kg. of molybdenum 99.5% to Gdynia, apparently for further shipment to Communist China. The Letter of Credit for this transaction was established by the China National Metals Import Corporation, Peking.
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2. DCN Case 412 (Cobalt; UNION MINIERE)

POLTO A-401, January 4, 1956, stated that according to a completely reliable source of information, the German merchant vessel, HANNOVER, sailed from Antwerp for Hong Kong on November 6, 1955, with cargo including 66 casks of cobalt metal (15,814 kilograms). Although it is possible that the shipment actually arrived in Japan, it is believed that the cobalt was, in fact, diverted to Communist China through Hong Kong. Included in the shipping marks were UMHK and made in Belgium which leads to the belief that this shipment came from Union Miniere du Haut-Katanga, Montagne-du-Parc, 6, Brussels. Also included was IC 4842.

3. DCN Case 413 (Mercury; SVETSKY)

Bonn D-1228, December 13, 1955, reported that the firm, TRANSACTOR, Warsaw, had placed an order with the I. V. Svetsky firm of Frankfurt/Main, for 500 bottles of mercury, of unknown origin, weight 34.5 kilo, price \$280, for immediate delivery to the Austrian/Czechoslovakian border or FOB Rotterdam.

As Svetsky was not able to obtain the mercury for delivery to the Austrian/Czechoslovakian border, they recommended to Transactor that delivery be made FOB Rotterdam.

This information has been released to the Ministry of Economics for investigation and possible prevention of the diversion. To date, however, this office has not received any further information as to the results of the investigation.
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4. DCN Case 414 (Blister Copper; THOMAIDES, OZTUNALI)

Beirut Tel. 718, December 29, 1955, reported Oztunali, PO 556, Ankara, a merchant and forwarding agent, has offered to sell 2000/5000 tons blister copper

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to Dafnis THOMAIDES, Beirut, at \$1250 per ton, FOB Iskenderun, plus 15% commission. Also involved is Marius OEMRISTIDES, reported to be Thomaidēs's associate.

Note: This is an unrealistic price for blister copper which normally sells under electrolytic copper. The latter is currently priced on the London Metal Exchange at approximately \$1100 per ton. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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